

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below, next to my name,

I believe that I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

TABLE OF WAFER POLISHING APPARATUS, METHOD FOR POLISHING SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER, AND METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING SEMICONDUCTOR WAFER

the specification of which

___ is attached hereto.
 ___ was assigned Ser. No. _____ and International Filing date June 15, 2000.

We hereby state that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. We do not know and do not believe that the same was ever known or used in the United States of America before our invention thereof, or patented or described in any printed publication in any country before our invention thereof or more than one year prior to this application, that the same was not in public use or on sale in the United States of America more than one year prior to this application, and said invention has not been patented or made the subject of an inventor's certificate issued before the date of this application in any country foreign to the United States of America on an application filed by us or our legal representatives or assigns more than twelve months prior to this application.

We acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1.56 (a).

We hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, Section 119, of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

<u>Prior Foreign Application(s)</u>			<u>Priority Claimed</u>	
<u>PCT/JP00/03899</u> (Number)	<u>PCT</u> (Country)	<u>15 June 2000 (15.06.00)</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No
<u>11-168522</u> (Number)	<u>JP</u> (Country)	<u>15 June 1999 (15.06.99)</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No
<u>11-168523</u> (Number)	<u>JP</u> (Country)	<u>15 June 1999 (15.06.99)</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No
<u>11-185333</u> (Number)	<u>JP</u> (Country)	<u>30 June 1999 (30.06.99)</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No
<u>11-237507</u> (Number)	<u>JP</u> (Country)	<u>24 Aug. 1999 (24.08.99)</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No
<u>11-237508</u> (Number)	<u>JP</u> (Country)	<u>24 Aug. 1999 (24.08.99)</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No
<u>11-237509</u> (Number)	<u>JP</u> (Country)	<u>24 Aug. 1999 (24.08.99)</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No

<u>11-239900</u> (Number)	<u>JP</u> (Country)	<u>26 Aug. 1999 (26.08.99)</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No
<u>11-277117</u> (Number)	<u>JP</u> (Country)	<u>29 Sept. 1999 (29.09.99)</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No
<u>11-277118</u> (Number)	<u>JP</u> (Country)	<u>29 Sept. 1999 (29.09.99)</u> (Day/Month/Year Filed)	<u>X</u> Yes	<u> </u> No

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We hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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